

Supporting Information

Please find below and attached evidence to support the existing use of garden as residential curtilage for in excess of a 10 year period.

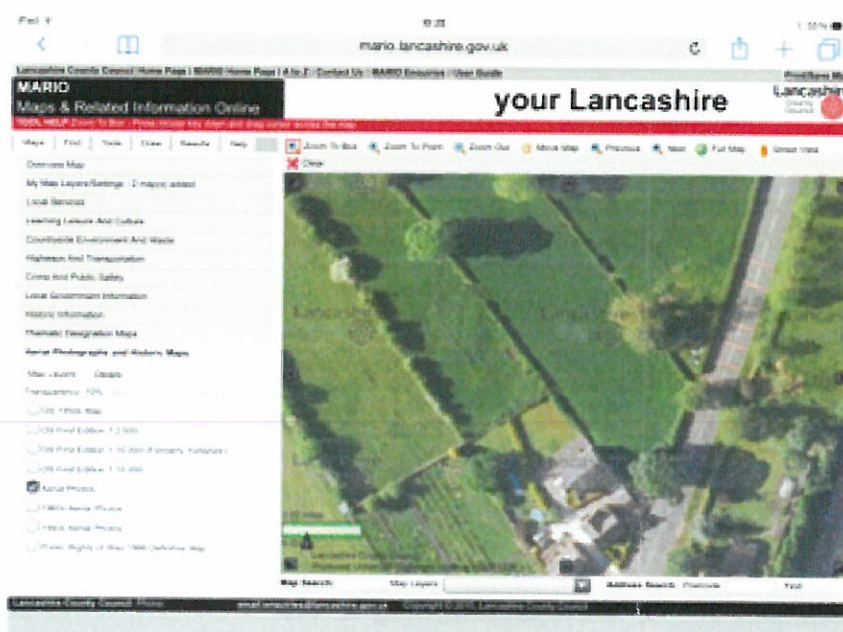
The screen shots below were taken during the use of aerial photography software to show photos taken over different periods of time.

1. Historic

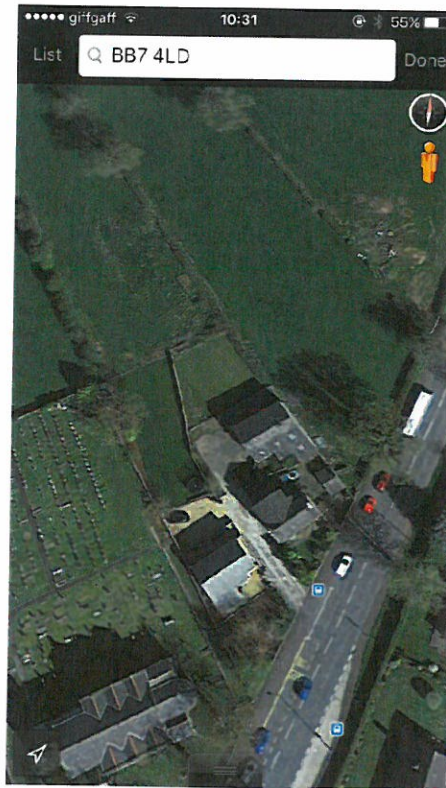
The aerial photography displayed in Lancashire's Mario Maps clearly shows the use of the garden extending in line with the churchyard and also with the garden of Mill Hey Barn. The photograph is clearly historic as it shows a conifer boundary between our property and Mill Hey Barn. This was planted in 1999 by my husband's father. As is evident from the aerial photograph it is clear that this shrubbery has matured indicating that it was planted some time ago.

My husband bought the property in 1999 and used it as his main residence until 2002 when he moved jobs. Between 2002 and 2011 the property was rented out to a number of occupants via letting agents Mortimers. The garden was therefore maintained by the tenants and no substantial changes or landscaping were made.

Within the aerial photo displayed on Mario maps it is also evident to us that this a historic image as if you access the software and zoom out and look at the village, The Croft housing development is not displayed as Chatburn Car Sales Garage is still clearly in situ.



2. Recent



This screenshot of Google Earth is a recent image and clearly shows a well-maintained garden with a solid fence separating our property from that of Mill Hey Barn. When we asked the tenants to vacate the property in 2011, as we wished to return to the area and reside in the property, we removed the conifers as they were looking scruffy and replaced this shrubbery with a solid wooden fence. This aerial photo clearly shows my black car sat in the drive and our daughter's trampoline in the garden. The garden boundary in line with the churchyard is the same as in the historic satellite image.

It is therefore evident that the use of the land as a garden has not changed over a large period of time.

The residential use of the land is clearly in line with the churchyard whose wall extends within our ownership in the far corner. Photographs taken by Rachel Horton on her site visit on 24th October 2016 clearly show this. It is from this natural line that the garden was demised when the property was initially built.

In support of this I have obtained a written statement from the farmer's wife, Mrs Giles, who initially sold the land for our house to be built on and lived in the original farm house, Mill Hey Farm, along with her late husband Fred Giles until recent years. In addition to this Doris Giles's son-in-law, Nick Goodfellow, has also provided a written statement.

We therefore reaffirm that the residential curtilage has not changed since circa 1997 and that this area has been landscaped and maintained as residential garden since we purchased the property in 1999.

Claire Johnson

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Damien Johnson

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